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**To: Education and Children's Services Policy Board**

**On: 2 November 2017**

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**Report by: Director of Children's Services**

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**Heading: School Holiday Arrangements School Session 2018/2019**

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## **1. Summary**

- 1.1. The education and children's services policy board is asked to determine the pattern of school holiday arrangements for the school session beginning August 2018.
  - 1.2. In line with consultation arrangements, three possible proposals were circulated to staff, parent councils, pupil councils, teaching and other trade unions for consideration.
  - 1.3. The school holiday proposal preferred by the majority of consultees is detailed in appendix 3 to this report with appendices 1 and 2 showing the holiday patterns less favoured.
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## **2. Recommendations**

- 2.1. Members of the education and children's services policy board are asked to authorise the director of children's services to set school holiday arrangements for academic year 2018/2019 in line with appendix 3 to this report.
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## **3. Background**

- 3.1. Each year the education and children's services policy board is asked to determine a framework for school holiday arrangements for the session beginning in August of the following year.
- 3.2. Consultation has taken place with staff, parent councils, pupil councils, teaching and other trade unions for consideration on three possible proposals. The preferred proposal is attached as appendix 1 to this report.
- 3.3. The recommended arrangements attached are the best match possible to those being considered by neighbouring councils given the varying fair holiday arrangements.

- 3.4. The proposed patterns meet, where possible, the majority of the desirable features which are:
- aligning the dates of major holidays with those of neighbouring councils;
  - providing a two week break at Christmas, including Christmas eve;
  - providing a mid-term break in February; and
  - providing a two week school holiday in spring.

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## **Implications of this report**

- 1. Financial Implications**  
None.
- 2. HR and Organisational Development Implications**  
None.
- 3. Community Plan/Council Plan Implications**  
None.
- 4. Legal Implications**  
None.
- 5. Property/Assets Implications**  
None.
- 6. Information Technology Implications**  
None.
- 7. Equality and Human Rights Implications**  
The Recommendations contained within this report have been assessed in relation to their impact on equalities and human rights. No negative impacts on equality groups or potential for infringement of individuals' human rights have been identified arising from the recommendations contained in the report because for example it is for noting only. If required following implementation, the actual impact of the recommendations and the mitigating actions will be reviewed and monitored, and the results of the assessment will be published on the Council's website.
- 8. Health and Safety Implications**  
None.
- 9. Procurement Implications**  
None.
- 10. Risk Implications**  
None.
- 11. Privacy Impact**  
None.
- 12. Cosla Policy Position**  
None.

## List of Background Papers

- (a) Background Paper 1: Proposed School Holiday Arrangements – 2017/2018

The foregoing background papers will be retained within children's services for inspection by the public for the prescribed period of four years from the date of the meeting. The contact officer within the service is (Laura Baillie, Resources Support Manager, 0141 618 7185, [laura.baillie@renfrewshire.gov.uk](mailto:laura.baillie@renfrewshire.gov.uk))

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## Appendix 1

Renfrewshire Council			
			2 in-service days on return in August
			1 Day St Andrews Day
	<b>Proposed School Holiday Arrangements</b>		Finish 21 December 2018
			2 Day February Break
	<b>2018/19</b>		2 Day End of May Break
			Finish 28 June 2019
			Inservice days before holidays
Option A			
Term	Break	Dates of Attendance	
First		In-Service Day - Closed for Pupils Only	Monday 13 August 2018 (IS)
		In-Service Day - Closed for Pupils Only	Tuesday 14 August 2018 (IS)
		Schools Re-Open	Wednesday 15 August 2018
	Local Holiday/Closed	Schools Closed	Friday 21 September 2018
		Schools Closed	Monday 24 September 2018
		Schools Re-Open	Tuesday 25 September 2018
	Mid Term	In-Service Day - Closed for Pupils Only	Friday 12 October 2018 (IS)
		Schools Closed	Monday 15 October 2018
		Schools Closed	Tuesday 16 October 2018
		Schools Closed	Wednesday 17 October 2018
		Schools Closed	Thursday 18 October 2018
		Schools Closed	Friday 19 October 2018
		Schools Re-Open	Monday 22 October 2018
Second			
	St Andrew's Day	Schools Closed	Friday 30 November 2018
		Schools Re-open	Monday 3 December 2018
	Christmas	Schools Closed	Monday 24 December 2018
		Schools Closed	Tuesday 25 December 2018
		Schools Closed	Wednesday 26 December 2018
		Schools Closed	Thursday 27 December 2018
		Schools Closed	Friday 28 December 2018
		Schools Closed	Monday 31 December 2018
		Schools Closed	Tuesday 1 January 2019
		Schools Closed	Wednesday 2 January 2019
		Schools Closed	Thursday 3 January 2019
		Schools Closed	Friday 4 January 2019
		Schools Re-Open	Monday 7 January 2019
Third			
	Mid-Term	In-Service Day - Closed for Pupils Only	Friday 8 February 2019 (IS)
		Schools Closed	Monday 11 February 2019
		Schools Closed	Tuesday 12 February 2019
		Schools Re-Open	Wednesday 13 February 2019
	Spring	Schools Closed	Monday 1 April 2019
		Schools Closed	Tuesday 2 April 2019
		Schools Closed	Wednesday 3 April 2019
		Schools Closed	Thursday 4 April 2019
		Schools Closed	Friday 5 April 2019
		Schools Closed	Monday 8 April 2019
		Schools Closed	Tuesday 9 April 2019
		Schools Closed	Wednesday 10 April 2019
		Schools Closed	Thursday 11 April 2019
		Schools Closed	Friday 12 April 2019
Teachers Return -		Schools Re-Open	Monday 15 April 2019
	Easter Weekend	Schools Closed	Friday 19 April 2019
		Schools Closed	Monday 22 April 2019
		Schools Re-Open	Tuesday 23 April 2019
	May Day	In-Service Day - Closed for Pupils Only	Friday 3 May 2019 (IS)
		Schools Closed	Monday 6 May 2019
		Schools Re-Open	Tuesday 7 May 2019
	Local Holiday/Closed	Schools Closed	Friday 24 May 2019
		Schools Closed	Monday 27 May 2019
		Schools Re-Open	Tuesday 28 May 2019
	End of session	Schools Closed	Monday 1 July 2019
<b>Teachers Return -</b>			<b>Wednesday 12 August 2020</b>
<b>(IS) - In-Service Day</b>			
<b>In-Service Days</b>			<b>(Only Staff Attend on these days - No Pupils)</b>
	<b>Monday</b>		<b>13/08/18</b>
	<b>Tuesday</b>		<b>14/08/18</b>
	<b>Friday</b>		<b>12/10/18</b>
	<b>Friday</b>		<b>08/02/19</b>
	<b>Friday</b>		<b>03/05/19</b>

## Appendix 2

Renfrewshire Council			
			2 in-service days on return in August
			1 Day St Andrew's Day
			Finish 21 December 2018
	<b>Proposed School Holiday Arrangements</b>		2 Day February Break
			1 day May break at end of May
			Finish 27 June 2019
	<b>2018/19</b>		Inservice days before holidays
	<b>Option B</b>		
Term	Break	Dates of Attendance	
First		In-Service Day - Closed for Pupils Only	Monday 13 August 2018 (IS)
		In-Service Day - Closed for Pupils Only	Tuesday 14 August 2018 (IS)
		Schools Re-Open	Wednesday 15 August 2018
	Local Holiday/Closed	Schools Closed	Friday 21 September 2018
		Schools Closed	Monday 24 September 2018
		Schools Re-Open	Tuesday 25 September 2018
	Mid Term	In-Service Day - Closed for Pupils Only	Friday 12 October 2018 (IS)
		Schools Closed	Monday 15 October 2018
		Schools Closed	Tuesday 16 October 2018
		Schools Closed	Wednesday 17 October 2018
		Schools Closed	Thursday 18 October 2018
		Schools Closed	Friday 19 October 2018
		Schools Re-Open	Monday 22 October 2018
Second	St Andrew's Day	Schools Closed	Friday 30 November 2018
		Schools Re-open	Monday 3 December 2018
	Christmas	Schools Closed	Monday 24 December 2018
		Schools Closed	Tuesday 25 December 2018
		Schools Closed	Wednesday 26 December 2018
		Schools Closed	Thursday 27 December 2018
		Schools Closed	Friday 28 December 2018
		Schools Closed	Monday 31 December 2018
		Schools Closed	Tuesday 1 January 2019
		Schools Closed	Wednesday 2 January 2019
		Schools Closed	Thursday 3 January 2019
		Schools Closed	Friday 4 January 2019
		Schools Re-Open	Monday 7 January 2019
Third	Mid-Term	In-Service Day - Closed for Pupils Only	Friday 8 February 2019 (IS)
		Schools Closed	Monday 11 February 2019
		Schools Closed	Tuesday 12 February 2019
		Schools Re-Open	Wednesday 13 February 2019
	Spring	Schools Closed	Monday 1 April 2019
		Schools Closed	Tuesday 2 April 2019
		Schools Closed	Wednesday 3 April 2019
		Schools Closed	Thursday 4 April 2019
		Schools Closed	Friday 5 April 2019
		Schools Closed	Monday 8 April 2019
		Schools Closed	Tuesday 9 April 2019
		Schools Closed	Wednesday 10 April 2019
		Schools Closed	Thursday 11 April 2019
		Schools Closed	Friday 12 April 2019
		Schools Re-Open	Monday 15 April 2019
Teachers Return -	Easter Weekend	Schools Closed	Friday 19 April 2019
		Schools Closed	Monday 22 April 2019
		Schools Re-Open	Tuesday 23 April 2019
(IS) - In-Service Day	May Day	In-Service Day - Closed for Pupils Only	Friday 3 May 2019 (IS)
		Schools Closed	Monday 6 May 2019
		Schools Re-Open	Tuesday 7 May 2019
In-Service Days	Local Holiday/Closed	Schools Closed	Monday 27 May 2019
		Schools Re-Open	Tuesday 28 May 2019
	End of session	Schools Closed	Friday 28 June 2019
<b>Teachers Return - Tuesday 13 August 2019</b>			
<b>(IS) - In-Service Day</b>			
<b>In-Service Days (Only Staff Attend on these days - No Pupils)</b>			
	Monday	13/08/18	
	Tuesday	14/08/18	
	Friday	12/10/18	
	Friday	08/02/19	
	Friday	03/05/19	

Renfrewshire Council			
			2 in-service days on return in August
			1 Day St Andrews Day
			Finish 21 December 2018
			2 Day February Break
			2 Day End of May Break
			Finish 28 June 2019
			In-Service Days After Break (except August)
Option C			
Term	Break	Dates of Attendance	
First		In-Service Day - Closed for Pupils Only	Monday 13 August 2018 (IS)
		In-Service Day - Closed for Pupils Only	Tuesday 14 August 2018 (IS)
		Schools Re-Open	Wednesday 15 August 2018
	Local Holiday/Closed	Schools Closed	Friday 21 September 2018
		Schools Closed	Monday 24 September 2018
		Schools Re-Open	Tuesday 25 September 2018
	Mid Term	Schools Closed	Monday 15 October 2018
		Schools Closed	Tuesday 16 October 2018
		Schools Closed	Wednesday 17 October 2018
		Schools Closed	Thursday 18 October 2018
		Schools Closed	Friday 19 October 2018
		In-Service Day - Closed for Pupils Only	Monday 22 October 2018 (IS)
		Schools Re-Open	Tuesday 23 October 2018
Second			
	St Andrew's Day	Schools Closed	Friday 30 November 2018
		Schools Re-open	Monday 3 December 2018
	Christmas	Schools Closed	Monday 24 December 2018
		Schools Closed	Tuesday 25 December 2018
		Schools Closed	Wednesday 26 December 2018
		Schools Closed	Thursday 27 December 2018
		Schools Closed	Friday 28 December 2018
		Schools Closed	Monday 31 December 2018
		Schools Closed	Tuesday 1 January 2019
		Schools Closed	Wednesday 2 January 2019
		Schools Closed	Thursday 3 January 2019
		Schools Closed	Friday 4 January 2019
		Schools Re-Open	Monday 7 January 2019
Third			
	Mid-Term	Schools Closed	Monday 11 February 2019
		Schools Closed	Tuesday 12 February 2019
		In-Service Day - Closed for Pupils Only	Wednesday 13 February 2019 (IS)
		Schools Re-Open	Thursday 14 February 2019
	Spring	Schools Closed	Monday 1 April 2019
		Schools Closed	Tuesday 2 April 2019
		Schools Closed	Wednesday 3 April 2019
		Schools Closed	Thursday 4 April 2019
		Schools Closed	Friday 5 April 2019
		Schools Closed	Monday 8 April 2019
		Schools Closed	Tuesday 9 April 2019
		Schools Closed	Wednesday 10 April 2019
		Schools Closed	Thursday 11 April 2019
Teachers Return -		Schools Closed	Friday 12 April 2019
		Schools Re-Open	Monday 15 April 2019
	Easter Weekend	Schools Closed	Friday 19 April 2019
		Schools Closed	Monday 22 April 2019
		Schools Re-Open	Tuesday 23 April 2019
	May Day	Schools Closed	Monday 6 May 2019
		In-Service Day - Closed for Pupils Only	Tuesday 7 May 2019 (IS)
		Schools Re-Open	Wednesday 8 May 2019
	Local Holiday/Closed	Schools Closed	Friday 24 May 2019
		Schools Closed	Monday 27 May 2019
		Schools Re-Open	Tuesday 28 May 2019
	End of session	Schools Closed	Monday 1 July 2019
Teachers Return - Tuesday 13 August 2019			
(IS) - In-Service Day			
In-Service Days (Only Staff Attend on these days - No Pupils)			
	Monday	13/08/18	
	Tuesday	14/08/18	
	Monday	22/10/18	
	Wednesday	13/02/19	
	Tuesday	07/05/19	

## Appendix 4

	Option A			Option B			Option C		
Secondary schools	School	Parent Council	Pupil Council	School	Parent Council	Pupil Council	School	Parent Council	Pupil Council
Castlehead High School							Yes		
Gleniffer High School	Yes	Yes	Yes						
Gryffe High School							Yes	Yes	Yes
Johnstone High School							Yes		
Linwood High School	Yes							Yes	Yes
Paisley Grammar							Yes		
Park Mains High School	Yes								
Renfrew High School	Yes	Yes	Yes						
St Andrew's Academy	Yes	Yes	Yes						
St Benedict's High School	Yes	Yes	Yes						
Trinity High School				Yes					
Primary schools									
Ankleston Primary School							Yes	Yes	Yes
Auchenlodment Primary School - Nursery									
Bargarran Primary School	Yes				Yes				
Barsail Primary School				Yes	Yes	Yes			
Bishopton Primary School							Yes	Yes	Yes
Bredland Primary School	Yes	Yes	Yes						
Bridge of Weir Primary School - Nursery				Yes	Yes	Yes			
Bushes Primary School - Nursery							Yes		
Cochrane Castle Primary School							Yes	Yes	
East Fulton Primary School - Nursery							Yes	Yes	Yes
Fordbank Primary School	Yes	Yes	Yes						
Gallowhill Primary School - Nursery							Yes	Yes	Yes
Glencroats Primary School									
Heriot Primary School - Nursery				Yes	No PC	Yes			
Houston Primary School - Nursery				Yes	Yes	Yes			
Howwood Primary School							Yes	Yes	Yes
Inchinnan Primary School	Yes		Yes						
Kilbarchan Primary School							Yes	Yes	Yes
Kirklandneuk Primary School				Yes	Yes	Yes			
Langbank Primary School		Yes					Yes		
Langcraigs Primary School							Yes	Yes	Yes
Lochfield Primary School								Yes	
Lochwinnoch Primary School - Nursery				Yes		Yes		Yes	
Mossvale Primary School - SA Nursery							Yes	Yes	Yes
Newmains Primary School				Yes	Yes	Yes			
Our Lady of Peace Primary School - Nursery	Yes	Yes	Yes						
Ralston Primary School - Nursery							Yes		
Rashielea Primary School									
St Anne's Primary School - Nursery	Yes	Yes	Yes						
St Anthony's Primary School	Yes	Yes	Yes						
St Catherine's Primary School - Nursery	Yes	Yes	Yes						
St Charles' Primary School - Nursery									
St David's Primary School	Yes	Yes	Yes						
St Fergus' Primary School							Yes	Yes	Yes
St Fillan's Primary School				Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
St James' Primary School (Paisley)									
St James' Primary School (Renfrew) - Nursery	Yes	Yes	Yes						
St John Bosco Primary School - SA Nursery							Yes	Yes	Yes
St John Ogilvie Primary School				Yes	Yes	Yes			
St Margaret's Primary School - SA Nursery							Yes	Yes	Yes
St Mary's Primary School - Nursery	Yes	Yes	Yes						
St Paul's Primary School	Yes	Yes	Yes						
St Peter's Primary School - Nursery							Yes	Yes	Yes
Thorn Primary School							Yes	Yes	Yes
Todholm Primary School - Nursery	Yes		Yes		Yes				Yes
Wallace Primary School - Nursery									
West Primary School	Yes	Yes							
Williamsburgh Primary School - SA Nursery	Yes								Yes
Woodlands Primary School				Yes	Yes	Yes			
ASN schools									
Riverbrae							Yes	Yes	
Mary Russell School	Yes	Yes	Yes						
Pre-5 Centres									
Douglas Street Pre-5 Centre									
Ferguslie Pre-5 Centre									
Foxlea Pre-5 Centre									
Glenburn Pre-5 Centre				Yes	Yes				
Glendee Pre-5 Centre				Yes					
Glenfield Pre-5 Centre	Yes								
Hollybush Pre-5 Centre									
Hugh Smiley Pre-5 Centre									
Moorpark Pre-5 Centre					Yes				
Paisley Pre-5 Centre							Yes	Yes	Yes
Spateston Pre-5 Centre									
West Johnstone Pre-5 Centre	Yes								
	24	17	17	13	10	10	24	21	18
Overall Option Totals	58			33			63		